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REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1, 3, 5-14, 16-21 and 23 are considered allowable since when reading the claims in light of the specification, as per MPEP §2111.01, none of the references of record alone or in combination disclose or suggest the combination of limitations specified in independent claims, including a method for automatic service composition, searching services from registered service specifications to find a single service or compose a service flow according to a service request.

Specifically, independent claims 1 and 12 disclose a service specification receiving step, for receiving a domain file established according to at least one service specification (defined at e.g. ¶ 0013); a new object predicting step, for predicting a new object by extracting data types needed by the declared objects of the problem file or the domain file to select at least one service specification related to the data type (defined at e.g. ¶ 0048); a new object declaring step, for declaring the new object by counting a frequency N for each data type used as the input parameter and a frequency M for each data type used as the output parameter in the chosen service set (defined at e.g. ¶ 0014); a service composition generating step, for generating a service flow by generating a series of action execution sequences of the single service or composite service, from service specifications stored in the service repository (defined at e.g. ¶

0011); and a correlation establishing step, for establishing at least one level of data-type-service graph between all service specifications and data types (defined at e.g. ¶ 0014).

The distinctive feature of the invention is the correlation establishing step, for establishing at least one level of data-type-service graph between all service specifications and data types, wherein the new object predicting step follows the interactive usage correlation structure.

A practical application of the invention is e-commerce activities on the internet (defined at e.g. ¶ 0005).

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